


REMARKS

Further to the Amendment filed on March 17, 2004, the Applicants have reviewed Figures 17A-17B and 18A-18B and have corrected minor typographical errors in the specification relating to these Figures. Specifically, the references in the specification to Figures 17A and 17B and to Figures 18A and 18B should be reversed, because the grain size of Figures 17A and 18A is smaller than the grain size shown in Figures 17B and 18B, and the grain boundaries in Figures 17A and 18A are vague as compared with those of Figures 17B and 18B. Reconsideration of the objection is respectfully requested. If the Examiner is not able to obtain a good quality version of Figures 17A and 17B or has any further questions on this matter, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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